In view of the allowance of claim 2, reconsideration of claims 3 and 4 is respectfully requested. In the Official Letter mailed December 19, 1994, the Examiner indicated that, upon the allowance of a generic claim, applicants would be entitled to consideration of claims directed to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all of the limitations of an allowed generic claim. Inasmuch as claims 3 and 4 are now in compliance with that requirement, allowance of these claims is also respectfully requested.

Inasmuch as the application is now in condition for allowance, an early action toward that end is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136. Please charge any additional fees due (or credit any overpayment thereof) to Deposit Account No. 11-0610 (Docket No. 4733).

Respectfully submitted,

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